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Denverite Sues CIA For Crash

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A Denver man involved in a collision which took the life of the Denver area representative for the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) Monday sued the federal government for \$60,000.

In a suit filed in Denver's U.S. District Court, James D. Reeves, 31, of 1399 Vine St., said Brig. Gen. H. Lynn Ostler, ret., 61, was to blame for the March 11, 1965, collision near Dowd, just west of the intersection of Colorado 4 and 78 in Eagle County.

Ostler, 1300 Monroe St., had been area representative for the CIA since 1951. Associates said he was en route to Grand Junction, Colo., on official business.

The complaint said the Ostler car crossed the center line and struck the left front section of a tractor trailer driven by Reeves.

Although initial reports indicated Reeves wasn't hurt, his attorney, Herbert M. Boyle, said he was hospitalized later for back injuries and has been under the care of a doctor.

In July 1965, W. J. Digby, Inc., 1960 31st St., asked the government to pay \$4,895 in damages to the truck which it had leased. That suit was settled when the government agreed to pay.